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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2001–02 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 384**

**Introduced by Assembly Member Nation**

February 20, 2001

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An act to add Section 13194 to the Water Code, relating to water.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 384, as amended, Nation. ~~Isolated wetlands~~ *Wetlands*.

Under the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act, the State Water Resources Control Board and the California regional water quality control boards regulate water quality in the state.

This bill would require the state board, in consultation with the Resources Agency *and the regional boards, on or before July 1, 2003*, to prepare a report for submittal to the Legislature that indicates the projected workload, personnel requirements, and regulatory steps needed to fully implement a water quality permitting program to conserve and protect ~~isolated~~ wetlands that are not subject to regulation pursuant to the federal Clean Water Act.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 13194 is added to the Water Code, to  
2 read:

1 13194. (a) The state board shall prepare a report for submittal  
2 to the Legislature, not later than July 1, ~~2002~~ 2003, that indicates  
3 the projected workload, personnel requirements, and regulatory  
4 steps needed to fully implement a water quality permitting  
5 program to conserve and protect ~~isolated~~ wetlands that are not  
6 subject to regulation pursuant to the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C.  
7 Sec. 1251 et seq.).

8 (b) The state board shall consult with the Resources Agency  
9 *and the regional boards* in order to prepare the report required  
10 pursuant to subdivision (a). The state board shall consult with the  
11 Resources Agency to ensure the use of the most recent wetlands  
12 inventory data for the purposes of preparing the report pursuant to  
13 subdivision (a).

